

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Richard Mertens et al.

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For: **SUPERABSORBENT POLYMERS, PREPARATION THEREOF  
AND USE THEREOF**

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Commissioner for Patents

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2007 and the helpful teleconference with Examiner Johnson on August 24, 2007, Applicants submit the following remarks and amendments to the claims. In addition, please provide a one-month extension of time, up to and including September 17, 2007, to respond to the Office Action as provided for in 37 CFR 1.136.

**Please charge the \$120.00 extension of time fee to Deposit Account No. 502190. If any additional fees for the accompanying response are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 502190.**

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 15 of this paper.